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## Pebble announces federal permit application

## **Holding Statement**

We understand that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers today received a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit application from the Pebble Partnership (we expect to hear from the Corps soon). EPA plans to perform its typical role in reviewing and commenting on the Clean Water Act permit application public notice. We will also be involved in the National Environmental Policy Act process, including providing input into the Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Pebble Mine. We will use the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment as well as other current science and information to inform our comments during the permitting and environmental review processes. EPA is also currently in the process of reviewing the more than one million public comments we received on the proposal to withdraw the 2014 proposed restrictions regarding the Pebble Mine. EPA has not made any final decisions.

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